



Maryland Agriculture Data

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



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Harvesting Amidst the Heat

Maryland farmers were able to get into the fields and finish up the harvesting of **barley**, while beginning the harvest of **winter wheat**. **Winter wheat** was 49% harvested compared to only 13% last week. There were **5.6 days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending June 27, 2004. Planting advanced as well due to the warm weather. Sorghum was 94% planted compared to 47% the previous year. The first cutting of **hay** was just about complete as the second cutting was underway.

Vegetables are progressing and many are above the 5 year averages. **Green peas** were 85% harvested compared to 59% the previous week, and 36% the previous year. **Corn** and **soybeans** were in fair to excellent condition with the majority being in good condition. **Topsoil moisture** was 2% very short, 5% short, 81% adequate and 12% surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2004 (PERCENT)

ITEM	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE 1999-2003
Planting Progress:				
Cucumbers	49	43	53	76
Lima Beans (Processed)	80	75	57	70
Snap Beans	60	55	74	79
Sorghum	94	90	47	80
Soybeans	89	84	44	72
Sweet Corn	97	96	80	93
Tobacco	87	80	70	92
Tomatoes	94	93	90	97
Harvesting Progress:				
Barley	84	67	27	65
Green Peas	85	59	36	79
Wheat	49	13	4	24
Hay Harvested:				
Alfalfa Hay 2nd Cutting	33	23	11	35
Other Hay 2nd Cutting	15	5	4	26

CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2004 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	-	-	8	52	40
Corn	-	3	9	45	43
Soybeans	-	4	15	65	16
Pasture	-	4	18	48	30
Winter Wheat	-	3	18	54	25

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2004 (PERCENT)

Condition	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture	2	5	81	12
Topsoil (2003)	-	-	54	46
Five Year Avg	6	20	61	13
Subsoil Moisture	3	3	80	14
Subsoil (2003)	-	-	57	43
Five Year Avg	8	26	55	11

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CLIMATE
REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING 6/27/2004

Maryland	County	Temperature			Departure from Normal
		Max	Min	Avg	
		Degrees F			
FROSTBURG 2	Garrett	81	43	63.2	-2.8
MCHENRY 2 NW	Garrett	-	-	-	-
CUMBERLAND 2	Allegany	87	49	69.4	-2.6
SMITHSBURG 2 NW	Washington	84	48	69.9	-
SHARPSBURG 5 S	Washington	86	48	69.7	-
BALTIMORE/WASH ARPT	Baltimore	86	52	71.4	-2.3
CONOWINGO DAM	Harford	-	-	-	-
SALISBURY AIRPORT	Wicomico	86	45	69.6	-4.8
MECHANICSVILLE 5 NE	St. Marys	85*	51*	70.2*	-3.8
EASTON POLICE BRKS	Talbot	87*	56*	71.8*	-
Delaware					
WILMINGTON AIRPORT	New Castle	82	53	70.6	-2.9
WILMINGTON PORTER RSV	New Castle	82*	56*	70.1*	-3.2
GREENWOOD 2 NE	Sussex	86	50	70.7	-2.0

Maryland	County	Growing Degree Days	Departure From Normal	Precipitation (Inches)	Departure From Normal
FROSTBURG 2	Garrett	101	-16	0.59	-0.25
MCHENRY 2 NW	Garrett	-	-	0.00*	-1.08
CUMBERLAND 2	Allegany	138	-17	0.68	-0.02
SMITHSBURG 2 NW	Washington	141	-	0.17	-
SHARPSBURG 5 S	Washington	140	-	0.24	-
BALTIMORE/WASH ARPT	Baltimore	151	-16	0.20	-0.58
CONOWINGO DAM	Harford	-	-	0.63	-0.30
SALISBURY AIRPORT	Wicomico	142	-24	0.58	-0.26
MECHANICSVILLE 5 NE	St. Marys	122*	-40	1.10*	0.08
EASTON POLICE BRKS	Talbot	132*	-	0.20*	-
Delaware					
WILMINGTON AIRPORT Castle	New Castle	147	-17	0.61	-0.23
WILMINGTON PORTER RSV	New Castle	122*	-39	0.17*	-0.81
GREENWOOD 2 NE	Sussex	148	-19	0.46	-0.40

* indicates incomplete weekly value
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